Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

March 28th, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Palms Park Community Center Improvement Project in the fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lakewood, California, located at 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California, 90712.

Lakewood Palms Park is a critical park and community center which serves as a hub for Lakewood and the surrounding cities, but is badly need in infrastructure improvements. The 44 year-old facility has badly deteriorated and needs improvements to remove blight, improve energy efficiency and to allow the facility to continue to provide its traditional array of community services, including food distribution for those in need. ADA improvements will ensure that the facility can continue to benefit all citizens of the community. \$3 million will promote development and growth in the local working class community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by HUD EDI: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Robert Garcia

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